

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of John S. Pistole, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, Earl F. Weener, of Oregon, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board, and a promotion list in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

NOMINATION

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of John S. Pistole, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

PROTECTING WORKERS AND BUSINESSES FROM MISCLASSIFICATION

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine protecting workers and businesses affected by misclassification, including S. 3254, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to require persons to keep records of non-employees who perform labor or services for remuneration and to provide a special penalty for persons who misclassify employees as non-employees, after receiving testimony from Seth D. Harris, Deputy Secretary of Labor; Colleen C. Gardner, New York State Department of Labor Commissioner, Albany; Frank Battaglini, Metro Test & Balance, Inc., Capitol Heights, Maryland, on behalf of Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractors' National Association and the Campaign for Quality Construction; Catherine K. Ruckelshaus, National Employment Law Project (NELP), New York, New York; and Gary Uber, Family Private Care, Inc., Hobe Sound, Florida, on behalf of Private Care Association, Inc.

NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND ACT

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine Indian education, focusing on the No Child Left Behind Act, after receiving testimony from Charles Rose, General Counsel, Department of Education; Keith Moore, Director, Bureau of Indian Education, Department of the Interior; Chad Smith, Cherokee Nation Principal

Chief, Tahlequah, Oklahoma; Mary Jane Oatman-Wak Wak, National Indian Education Association (NIEA), Washington, D.C.; Mariah Bowers, Klamath, California; and David Beaulieu, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 258, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to provide enhanced penalties for marketing controlled substances to minors, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of John J. McConnell, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the District of Rhode Island, and Pamela Cothran Marsh, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Florida, Peter J. Smith, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, and Kevin Anthony Carr, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Wisconsin, all of the Department of Justice.

GULF COAST OIL CLEANUP PROPOSALS

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: Committee concluded a hearing to examine harnessing small business innovation, focusing on navigating the evaluation process for Gulf Coast oil cleanup proposals, after receiving testimony from Rear Admiral Ronald Rabago, Assistant Commandant for Acquisition, United States Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security; Paul Anastas, Assistant Administrator, Office of Research and Development, Environmental Protection Agency; Kevin Costner, Ocean Therapy Solutions, Los Angeles, California; Eric N. Smith, Tulane Energy Institute, New Orleans, Louisiana; Dan Parker, C.I.Agent Solutions, Louisville, Kentucky; Heather E. Baird, MicroSorb Environmental Products, Inc., Norwell, Massachusetts; and Carys L. Mitchelmore, University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science, Solomons.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.